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Dear Department of Justice,

First, let me thank you for your efforts with the case regarding Microsoft. As an employee of Microsoft, I have watched the case with great interest and I firmly believe both Microsoft and the Department of Justice want the same thing - Happy Consumers who are not being taken advantage of and a company that competes fairly.

I wanted to take this moment to voice my opinion in that the settlement proposed to bring the case to settlement is a very just and reasonable proposal. I believe the proposed changes will positively impact consumers and make positive changes in the way that Microsoft does business that will not hamper Microsoft's ability to innovate and will also allow competitors to continue to compete with Microsoft and vice versa.

Thank you again for the time you have spent working on this issue and for the proposed settlement.

Sincerely,

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